



Docket No.: 0505-1246P

(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Katsuhiko ITO et al.

Application No.: 10/660,577

Confirmation No.: 5276

Filed: September 12, 2003

Art Unit: 3682

For: LUBRICATING SYSTEM FOR INTERNAL

COMBUSTION ENGINE

Examiner: C. H. Kim

STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the attorney named below be advised of the status of the above-identified application. Please advise us of when we might expect to receive an Office Action from the Patent and Trademark Office.

Dated: August 16, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Slattery

Registration No.: 28,380

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

8110 Gatehouse Rd

Suite 100 East P.O. Box 747

Falls Church, Virginia 22040-0747

(703) 205-8000

Attorneys for Applicant